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FOLLOWING REPEAT USUN 5652 ACTION SECSTATE 4 DECEMBER.

QUOTE

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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: UN

SUBJ: ACTION TO PREEMPT CUBAN FROM GAINING SEAT IN

COMITE OF 24

USUN 5273

1. PERUVIAN PERMREP PEREZ DE CUELLAR, WHO HAS RECENTLY BEEN EXCEEDINGLY HELPFUL TO US NOTWITHSTANDING CONTRARY TRENDS IN HIS FONOFF, APPROACHED AMB. BENNETT TODAY TO URGE PREEMPTIVE ACTION TO KEEP CUBA FROM GAINING LA SLOT BEING VACATED BY VENEZUELA. PEREZ SAID CUBA IS EXTREMELY ANXIOUS TO JOIN THE COMMITTEE AS A VANTAGE FOR INTENSIFYING PRESSURE ON PUERTO RICO ISSUE. HE ADVISED US TO TAKE IMMEDIATE ACTION TO STIMULATE GOOD
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CARRIBBEAN OR CENTRAL AMERICAN CANDIDACY LEST CUBANS WALK

IN.

2. WE CONCUR FULLY. BELIEVE THIS MATTER REQUIRES
URGENT ATTENTION. ALTHOUGH WE HAVE NOT TAKEN ANY SOUNDINGS
HERE BEYOND REFTEL AND BELIEVE WHATEVER WE NOW DO TO
ENCOURAGE CANDIDACY SHOULD BE DONE IN CAPITAL, WE SUGGEST
COLOMBIA, WITH SERIOUS AND WELL STAFFED MISSION HERE,
FOR CONSIDERATION. PUERTO RICANS, WITH GOOD TIES TO
COLOMBIAN POLITICIANS, MIGHT BE INTERESTED IN HELPING
US ENCOURAGE COLOMBIAN CANDIDACY.

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